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February 02, 2010

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

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**ACCEPTANCE OF MONETARY BEQUEST FROM THE ESTATE OF
DOROTHY ANN RIVER TO LAC+USC MEDICAL CENTER AND RANCHO
LOS AMIGOS NATIONAL REHABILITATION CENTER
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1 AND 4)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Request approval to accept monetary bequest from the estate of Dorothy Ann River to LAC+USC Medical Center and Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Accept a monetary bequest in the amount of \$11,050 to LAC+USC Medical Center (LAC+USC) and \$11,050 to Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center (Rancho) from the estate of Dorothy Ann River, a former patient at each of the facilities.
2. Instruct the Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors, to prepare and send a letter of appreciation for the generous donations to the executor of the estate of Dorothy Ann River.



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PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

In accordance with County policy, donations in excess of \$10,000 require acceptance by your Board. LAC+USC and Rancho are the recipients of \$11,050 each from the estate of Ms. River. In 2005, Ms. River was a patient at each facility. Ms. River wanted to share some of her good fortune with facilities she felt provided her with high-quality health care and contributed to the quality of her life.

Approval of the first recommendation will allow the facilities to accept the donations and the second recommendation will acknowledge receipt of the generous donations.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions support Goal 4, Health and Mental Health, of the County's Strategic Plan.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The \$11,050 bequest for each facility is unrestricted and there is no net County cost associated with these bequests.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Section 2.4.2 of the County Fiscal Manual authorizes County departments to accept donations in excess of \$10,000 with Board approval.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the recommended actions will help maintain the quality of health care delivered at LAC +USC and Rancho.

CONCLUSION

Attached for your consideration is a draft letter thanking Ms. River's estate for the generous donation.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
2/2/2010
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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John F. Schunhoff". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "S".

JOHN F. SCHUNHOFF, Ph.D.
Interim Director

JFS:rf

Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office
County Counsel
Executive Office, Board of Supervisors

ATTACHMENT I

(BOARD OF SUPERVISORS LETTERHEAD)

February 3, 2010

Charles H. Reddien, Attorney at Law
Executor of the Estate of Dorothy Ann River
P.O. Box 6133
Diamondhead, MS 39525

Dear Mr. Reddien:

At its meeting held on February 2, 2010, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors accepted, with thanks, the generous bequest of \$11,050 each to LAC+USC Medical Center and Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center from the estate of Dorothy Ann River.

The Board members have requested that I express their appreciation to you for this generous donation from Ms. River's estate.

Respectfully submitted,

Sachi A. Hamai
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

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